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Focus Group Mission Statement

Assist CALFED in the period prior to the Record of Decision to identify, address, and resolve key policy issues associated with the ERP and its implementation.

Key Issues

1. Program Integration
2. Priority Setting
3. ERP Objectives

Focus Group Work Products

1. Executive Summary

- » Outline of ERP Focus Group Materials

2. Program Integration

- » Management Framework for Integration.

3. Priority Setting

- » Guiding Principles for Priority Setting
- » Regional Implementation Plan and Project Selection Process
- » Proposed ERP Implementability Criteria

4. ERP Objectives

- » Refined Strategic Objectives and Rationales

Program Integration

Recommendations

- Commit to establishing a single blueprint for ecosystem restoration and conservation.
- Commit to using sound science and a comprehensive Science Program that serves as a common resource.
- Support development of ecological conceptual models as the basis for informed decision-making.

Program Integration

Recommendations (continued)

- Adopt the goals of the ERP and MSCS as the shared vision for restoration.
- Commit to using the goals of the ERP and MSCS for environmental water management (including the EWA and EWP).
- Sign an MOU that defines how parties will coordinate and interact in pursuit of a single blueprint.

Defining a “Single Blueprint”

- Integrated science and transparent ecological conceptual models.
- A shared vision of ecological restoration.
- A comprehensive management framework.

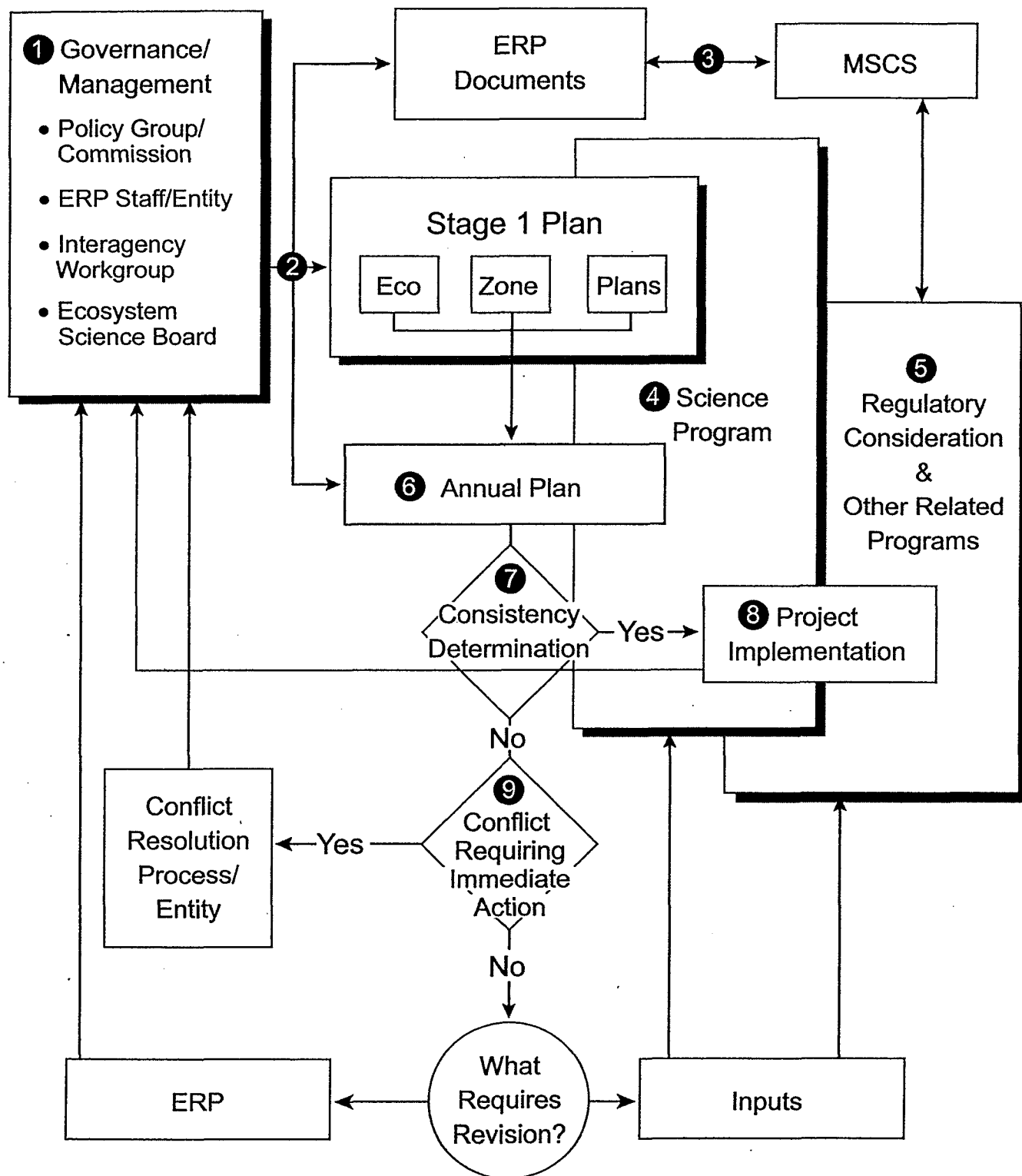
ERP Integration

Management

Planning

Science

Regulatory



Priority Setting

Recommendations

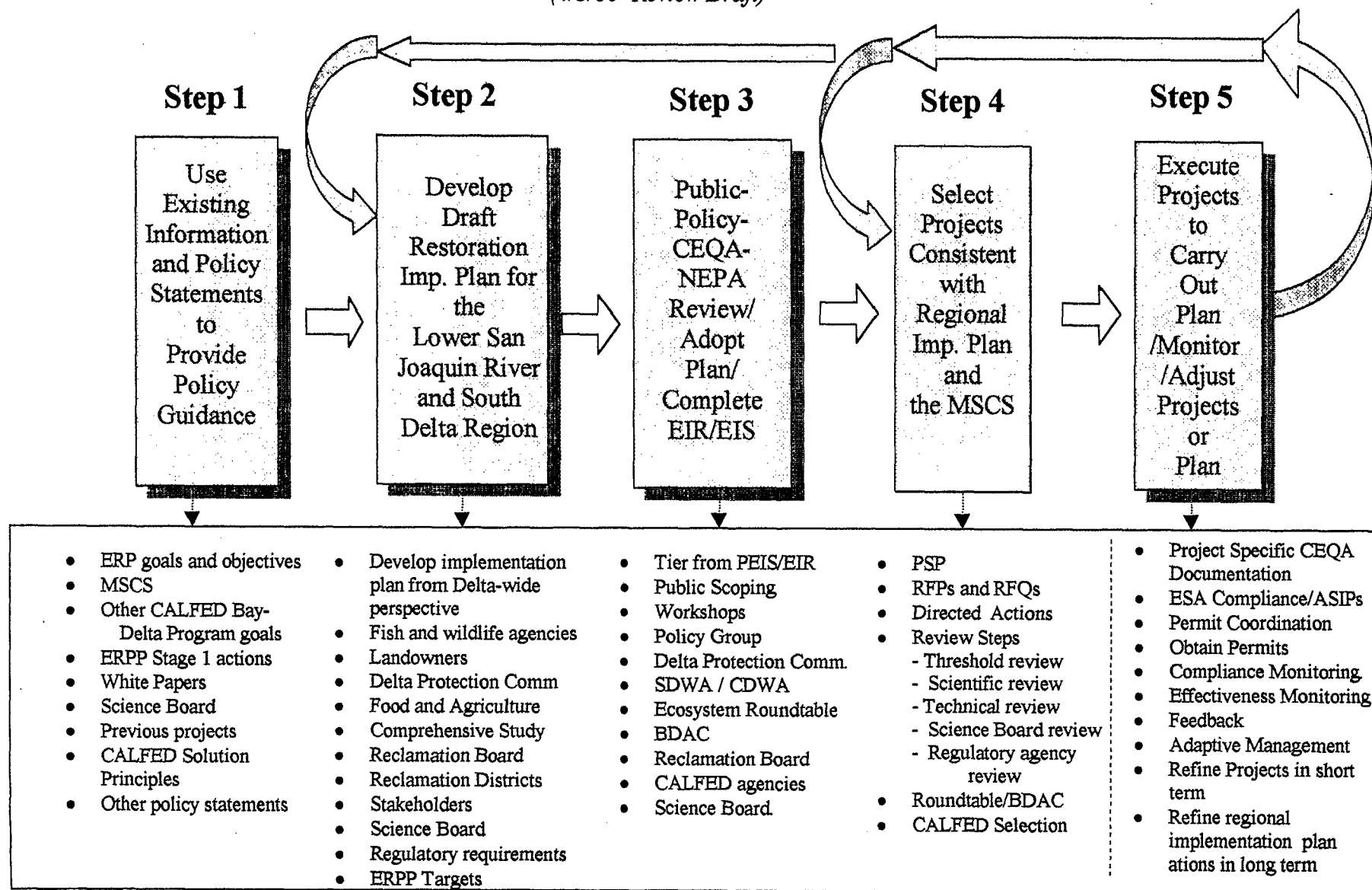
- Establish a process for determining priorities and selecting projects.
- Establish priorities in a coordinated and integrated fashion.
- Adopt policy principles for guiding prioritization and project selection.

Guiding Principles

1. Basis for Implementing Priorities
2. Role of Science
3. Priority Setting
4. Funding Priorities
5. Use of ERP Funds

ATTACHMENT B

**Regional Implementation Plan Development and Project Selection Process for the Ecosystem and Floodplain Restoration
Program for the Lower San Joaquin River and South Delta Region**
(4/3/00- Review Draft)



ERP Objectives

Recommendation

- Adopt refined strategic objectives and rationales.